

2020 GBTC Invitational
Sunday, January 19, 2020

Hosted by the Greater Boston Track Club
Harvard University Gordon Indoor Track

Important Information:

Location: Harvard University, Gordon Indoor Track, 65 North Harvard Street, Boston, MA, 02134 located directly behind Harvard Stadium. PLEASE NOTE THAT THERE IS NO ACCESS TO THE GORDON INDOOR TRACK FACILITY OTHER THAN ON THE DAY OF THE MEET. ALSO NOTE THAT THERE WILL BE NO ACCESS TO OTHER HARVARD FACILITIES AT ANY TIME. VIOLATORS WILL BE SUBJECT TO DISQUALIFICATION.

ENTRY PROCESS: Online Entry and Payment

For on-time entry go to: <https://www.directathletics.com/meets/track/63395.html>
Team Fees: If not paying online, please notify the meet director **in advance** via email.
Email: gbtcinvite at gmail dot com
Checks: Teams make checks payable to: Greater Boston Track Club.

Note: **NO POST ENTRIES!** We are accepting online entries and online payment by the deadline. Entry Fees are ENTRY fees (as opposed to participation fees) and are non-refundable. **We will not refund entry fees in any case including inclement weather, duplicate payment, over-payment, meet cancellation, scratches or non-appearance by the athlete.**

Entry and Payment Deadline: (*additionally, processing fees will be charged by DA*)

On-Time Entry: Entered on DirectAthletics by **TUESDAY, January 14, 11:59 p.m.**
On-Time Entry Fee: **\$20. per EVENT paid online by the entry deadline**
***Relay Entry Fee:** **\$20. per RELAY paid online by the entry deadline**
TEAMS: \$380 maximum cost per team, with men and women separate.

NO DAY OF EVENT ENTRY!!!

LATE ENTRY: *Entered on DirectAthletics by WEDNESDAY, January 15, 11:59 p.m.*
For late entry go to: <https://www.directathletics.com/meets/track/>
Late Entry Fee: *\$40. per EVENT paid online at the time of online late entry*
Late *Relay Fee: *\$40. per RELAY paid online at the time of online late entry*
Late TEAMS: *\$500 per team, with men and women separate.*

**Relay teams must be entered using a team account. All relay members must represent the same team and be listed on one TEAM roster in Direct Athletics.*

Seeding: Please note there will be trials and finals for straightaway (only) events. The Meet Director, whose decision is final, will seed all invitational sections. **Athletes who wish to be considered for an invitational section MUST first enter the OPEN event and then follow up with an email submission of a recent verifiable result including place and date of performance.** Entries should be available for viewing on the GBTC website by the Friday or Saturday preceding the meet. LATE ENTRIES, IF ACCEPTED, MAY RECEIVE NO PREFERENCE FOR SEEDING.

*******INTERNATIONAL IMPLEMENT WEIGHTS WILL BE USED*******

Some scholastic specific events (including weight and shot, mile, and boy's hurdles) will be offered.

The meet director and/or games committee may implement a minimum mark in the field events; in this case, the first fair mark will be measured, THEN only minimum "legal" measurements thereafter.

Eligibility: Minimum age for competition is considered 14 years old on the day of the meet. Athletes should have a valid USATF card (one that expires December 31, 2020). Currently eligible student-athletes representing their college or high school may compete without USATF membership. **Any event money or prizes available will be awarded only to 2020 USATF cardholders eligible to receive prizes.** For information about obtaining a USATF membership card, see <http://www.usatfne.org>.

ATHLETES

BIB #'s : Numbers will be available at the athletes' entrance area if payment has been received. Bib numbers will be the athlete's facility pass. **NO ATHLETE WILL BE ADMITTED WITHOUT A BIB NUMBER. Team/Club packets must be paid for in full to receive bib numbers.** All bib numbers must be worn on the front.

CHECK-IN : The meet may run behind or ahead. Considering the order of events, athletes must be aware of the events being contested. Athletes must **declare** for running events near the throwing circle.

ACQUIRING A BIB NUMBER IS NOT EVENT CHECK IN.

Event check-ins may be announced, but it is the responsibility of the athlete to declare at least 45 minutes prior to the scheduled event. **THOSE WHO FAIL TO DECLARE PROPERLY WILL BE SCRATCHED FROM THAT EVENT WITHOUT REFUND.** We will use a double check-in process for track events, 1st to declare the intention to compete, and 2nd for the hip numbers.

General

Admission: \$5. All spectators including athlete parents must use the upstairs entrance to the facility. **Only athletes and certified coaches are allowed on the infield.**

Parking: Harvard University will **CHARGE** for parking in the Athletic Lot and the Harvard Business School parking lot located on the other side of North Harvard Street from the Soldiers Field Athletic Complex. We apologize for this inconvenience. We encourage public transportation and carpooling.

Results: Every effort will be made to post results during the meet. Automatic timing will be used. Complete meet results will be posted online. Live online results may be available as well.

Medical: A trainer will be available to attend to injuries only (no taping).

Lockers/Showers: There are **NO** lockers or showers available.

Refreshments and Meet Shirts: General concessions **may** be available for beverage and snack purchases, as well, GBTC Invitational meet shirts will be on sale while supplies last.

Meet Director: David Callum, Cell Phone: 617-501-1312
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Games Committee: Mass Track & Field Officials Association

Drug Information: Athletes who participate in this competition may be subject to formal drug testing in accordance with USATF and IAAF rules, in accordance with USOC, USADA, or IAAF procedures. Athletes found, after a disciplinary hearing, to be positive for prohibited substances, as defined by the WADA Code and/or IAAF, or who refuse to be tested, will be disqualified from this event and may lose eligibility for future competitions. Any prize money payable to an athlete who has tested positive shall be withheld until the final disposition of all disciplinary proceedings. BEWARE: Some prescriptions, over the counter medications, and nutritional supplements may contain prohibited substances. Information regarding drugs and drug testing may be obtained by calling the USADA Reference Hotline at 1-800-233-0393, or www.usantidoping.org.

USATF-NE: This meet is sanctioned by USATF.

Cancellation Policy: We reserve the right to cancel the meet due to inclement weather or unsafe road conditions. We will make every attempt to hold the meet, but decisions made by Harvard University, and the cities of Boston and Cambridge will factor in the final decision about whether it is safe to hold the meet. **The entry fee is non-refundable.** Look for meet day updates on <http://www.gbtc.org>

GBTC is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit corporation. The club provides a competitive team-oriented environment to those who compete at the national, regional and local levels.

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